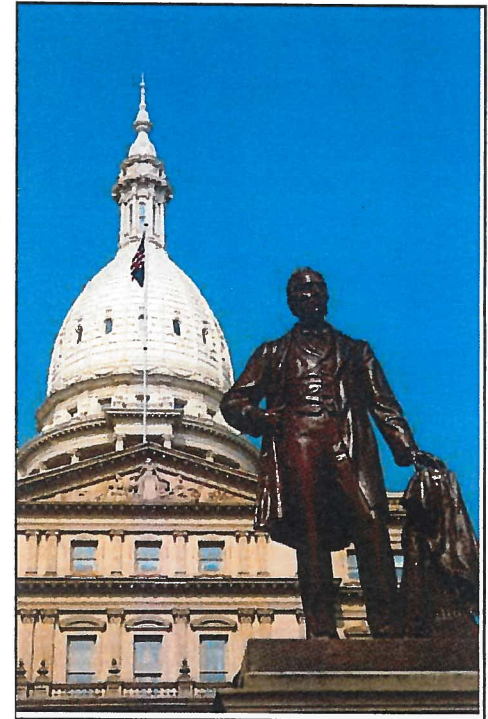


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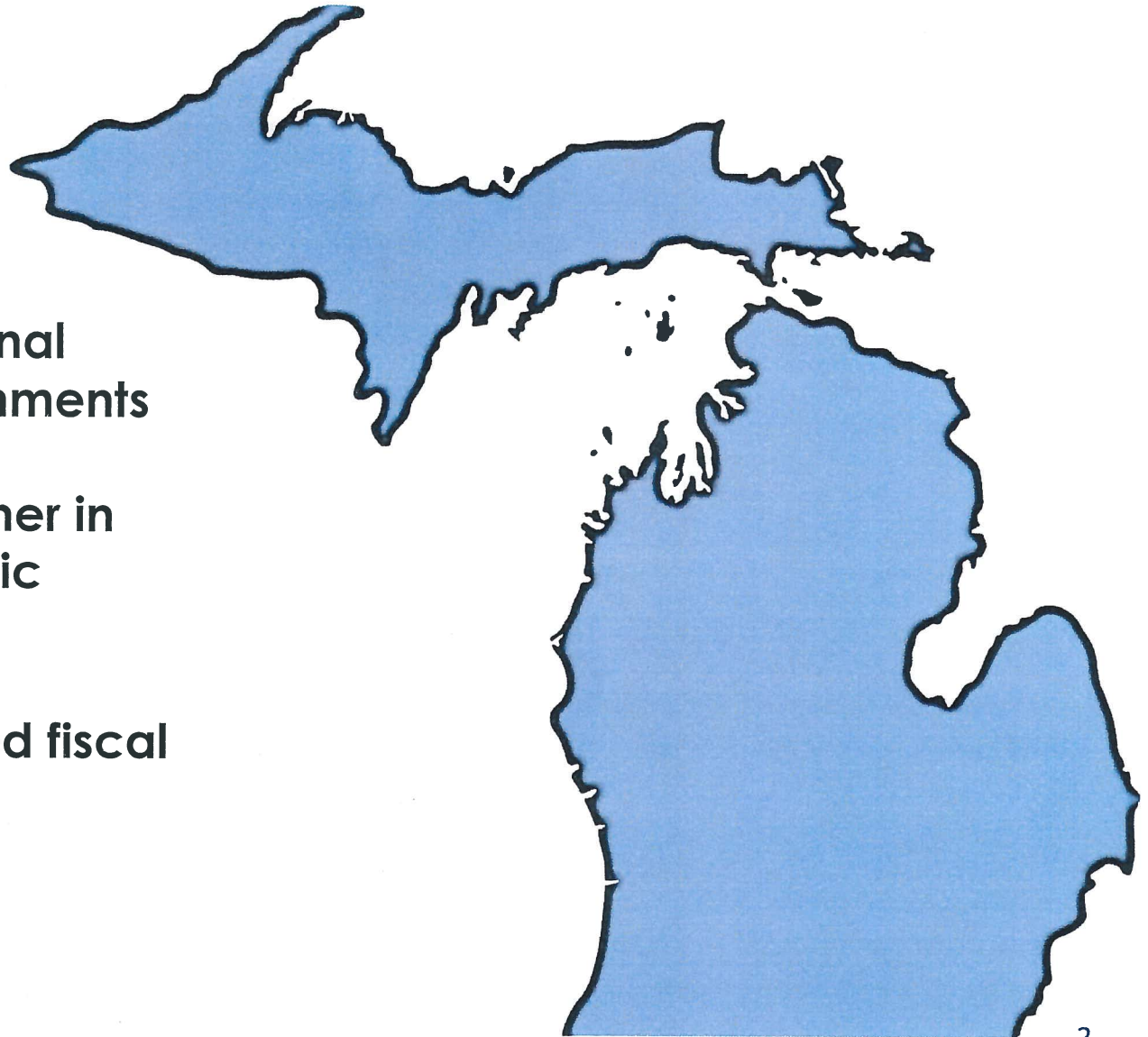


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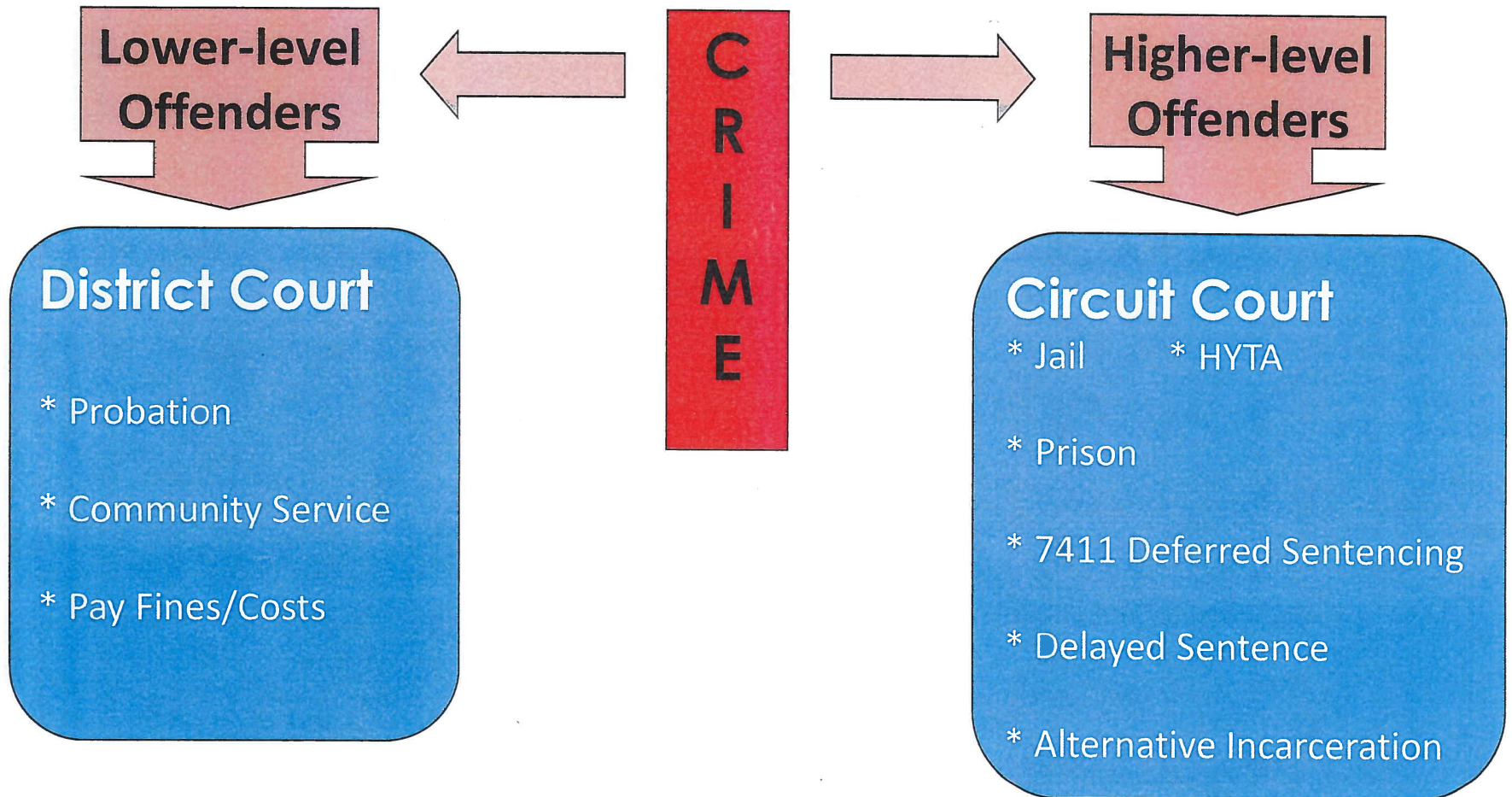
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Counties ...

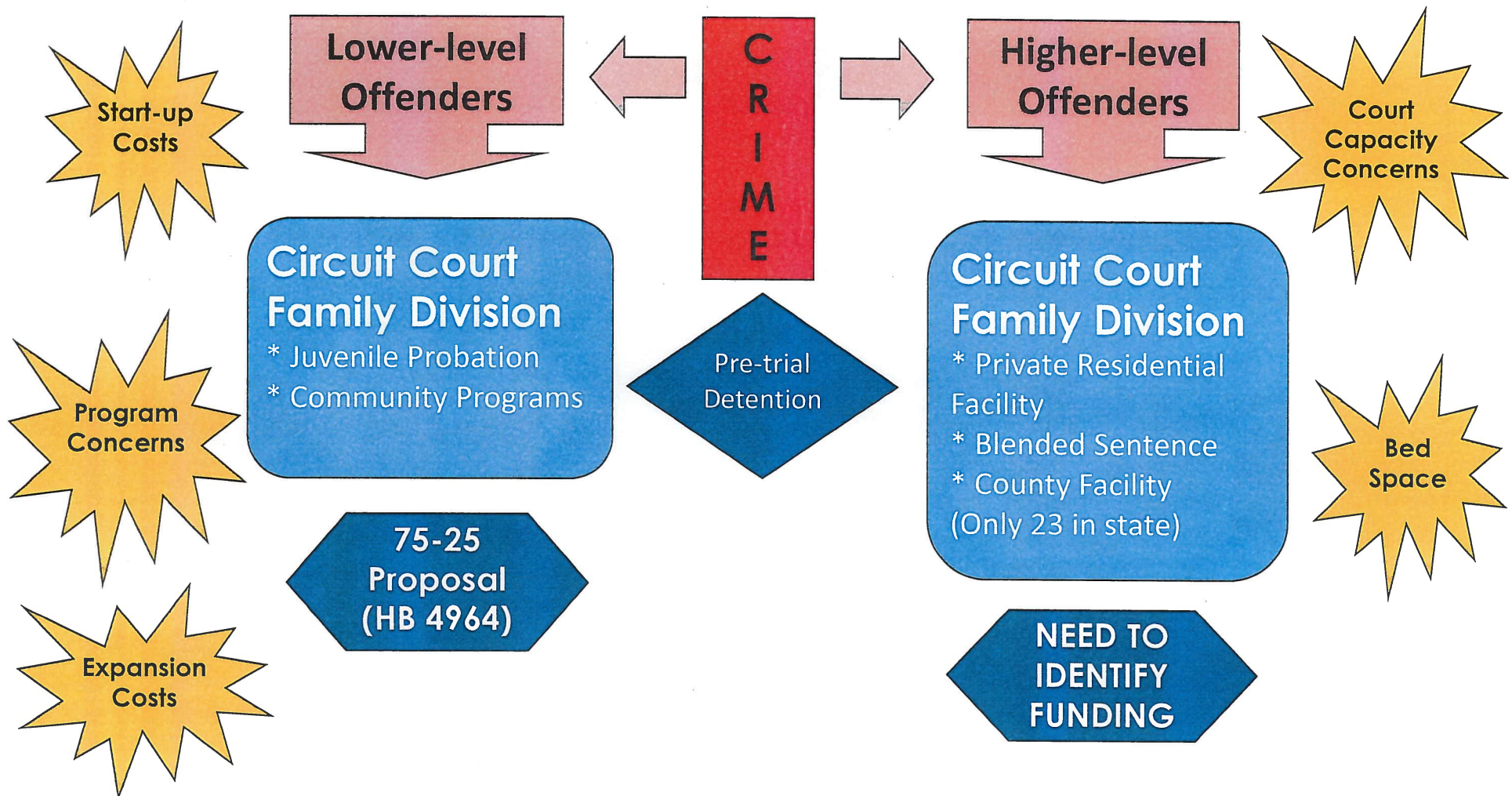
- ☐ The state's original regional governments
- ☐ The state's partner in delivery of public services
- ☐ Hold budget and fiscal responsibilities



Current system for 17-year-olds



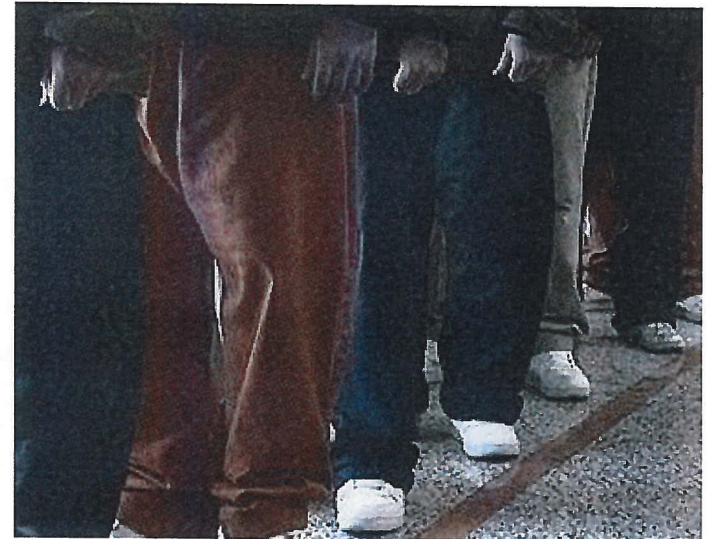
Proposed system for 17-year-olds



In juvenile system, costs are split between state and counties

Change in approach means change in commitments, resources

- ❑ Juvenile system requires higher standard of care
- ❑ Programs are more extensive, and more expensive
- ❑ Start-up funds for program expansion
- ❑ Lead time for scaling up programs, capacity
- ❑ Time, resources needed to make changes



Zero-sum Game

Without additional funding,
other juveniles lose

Headlee issues: What are they?

At the November 1978 general election, Michigan voters approved a tax limitation amendment. The amendment, generally referred to as the **Headlee Amendment**, amended Article IX, Section 6 and added 10 new sections (25 through 34) to Article IX of the 1963 Michigan Constitution.

One of those sections, Section 29, prohibits the State from ...



Headlee issues: What are they?

1.

mandating local governments to provide new services or activities (after 1978) without proper funding;

2.

increasing the level of mandated activities and services required beyond what was required in 1978 without proper funding; or

3.

decreasing the level of funding provided in 1978 for existing mandates.

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